

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An intervertebral spacer inserted between vertebrae of a spine comprising:

a ~~main~~ body defined by a pair of upper and lower surfaces and a pair of side surfaces connected to the upper and lower surfaces; and

a withdrawal ~~prevention means~~ preventer formed on the upper and lower surfaces of the ~~main~~ body, and formed ~~in~~ asymmetrically in a sectional side view, wherein

the withdrawal ~~prevention means~~ preventer comprises a plurality of linear claw portions ~~formed~~ extending from one side surface of the ~~main~~ body to the other side surface, and the upper and lower surfaces of the body slant such that a distance between the upper and lower surfaces at the front side of the intervertebral spacer is greater than a distance between the upper and lower surfaces at the rear side of the intervertebral spacer.

2. (Currently Amended) The intervertebral spacer according to claim 1, wherein said intervertebral spacer is formed in a curved shape and a width of the middle of the spacer is greater than a width of at least one end of the spacer ~~each of the upper and lower~~

~~surfaces of the main body is formed in a curved surface having a top portion at a middle portion in a cross direction.~~

3. (Currently Amended) The intervertebral spacer according to claim 1, wherein each claw portion ~~being~~ is formed in an asymmetric triangle shape, in a section side view, defined by a first surface extending in the direction in which the intervertebral spacer is inserted, a second surface connected to a rear side of the first surface and one of the upper surface ~~or~~ and the lower surface of the ~~main~~ body.

4. (Original) The intervertebral spacer according to claim 2, wherein the ~~main~~ body is ~~formed in~~ configured to have a shape of a curved surface on an insertion side such that it is tapered on the insertion side as compared with a rear side.

5. (Currently Amended) The intervertebral spacer according to claim 3, wherein an angle ~~formed by~~ between the first surface of the claw ~~piece portion~~ and one of the upper surface ~~or~~ and the lower surface of the ~~main~~ body is larger than an angle ~~formed by~~ between the second surface of the claw portion and one of the upper surface ~~or~~ and the lower surface of the ~~main~~ body.

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6. (New) The intervertebral spacer according to claim 1, wherein each claw portion extends across the body from one side surface to the other side surface.